

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-6 (Canceled).

7. (Currently Amended) A fuel injector for direct injection of fuel into a combination chamber of an internal combustion engine, the fuel injector comprising:

a nozzle body; and

at least one retaining flange situated on the nozzle body and projecting radially beyond the nozzle body, the at least one retaining flange having a working surface for a hold-down device and a seating surface for positioning on a cylinder head of the engine, the at least one retaining flange extending over only a portion of a periphery perimeter of the fuel injector.

8. (Previously Presented) The fuel injector according to claim 7, wherein the at least one retaining flange includes two retaining flanges situated opposite one another.

9. (Currently Amended) The fuel injector according to claim 8, wherein each of the retaining flanges are is made as a separate components component and are is joined to the nozzle body in one of an integral and a friction-locking manner.

10. (Currently Amended) The fuel injector according to claim 9, wherein each of the retaining flanges are is welded to the nozzle body.

11. (Previously Presented) The fuel injector according to claim 8, wherein each of the retaining flanges is made in one piece with the nozzle body.

12. (Previously Presented) The fuel injector according to claim 8, wherein each of the retaining flanges covers an angular range of about 45° in a peripheral direction.
